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SUBJECT: WASHOUT ON ALASKA HIGHWAY.

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- 1. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ADVISED TCO NOON JULY 26 ITS LATEST INFORMATION WAS THAT HIGHWAY WOULD BE OPERATIONAL TODAY ON A FULL TWO LANE BASIS BUT WITH A NUMBER OF DETOURS. THIS REPORT WAS RECEIVED NOON JULY 25 FROM WHITEHORSE AND NO FOLLOW UP HAS BEEN REQUESTED UNLESS THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN SITUATION. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER IF SUCH CHANGE OCCURS.
- 2. SOURCE CAUTIONED THAT, ALTHOUGH ROAD WILL BE FULLY OPEN, TRAVEL WILL BE RESTRICTED TO DAYLIGHT HOURS UNTIL PERHAPS JULY 29 BECAUSE OF VERY ROUGH SURFACES. EVEN AFTER THIS RESTRICTION IS LIFTED ROAD WILL CONTINUE ROUGH AND DUSTY.
- 3. ALSO STATED THAT LEGAL LOAD LIMITS ON BRIDGES WILL UNCLASSIFIED

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BE STRICTLY ENFORCED AND NO EXEMPTIONS TO ALLOW OVERLOADS

WILL BE GRANTED FOR SOME TIME. HOWEVER, NO ACTION TO REDUCE PRESENT LEGAL LOAD LIMITS BEING TAKEN.

4. RECOMMENDATION: AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS AND PUBLICATION TRAFFIC WORLD, BOTH AT WASHINGTON, D.C., SHOULD BE ADVISED OF LOAD LIMIT SITUATION AS MANY US CIVILIAN TRUCKERS REGULARLY OPERATE ON EXEMPTION BASIS AND WE WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF MILITARY VEHICLES ALSO DO SO.

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